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students to eat in the lunchroom during noon hour.

TSETSE FLIES seem to have plagued the IIT campus this semester. No matter where one goes, be it in the lounge, the auditorium or even a class room it is an even bet that one or more students can be found in communion with Morpheus. What is the trouble with everyone around here?

LEWIS HAS a bulletin board. Nobody pays much attention to the Lewis bulletin board. There is no person at Lewis responsible for the bulletin board. If such a responsibility does exist, it is not being assumed. At the present time anyone can place a notice on that board no matter what it contains. Notices are also left on the board for weeks at a time with no effort made to remove them. How can student interest be attracted to a board which is cluttered with out-of-date notices and sprinkled but sparingly with several pertinent items. Some person should be placed in charge and given the responsibility to see that the messages perform a distinct service and to remove them when they have outlived their usefulness.

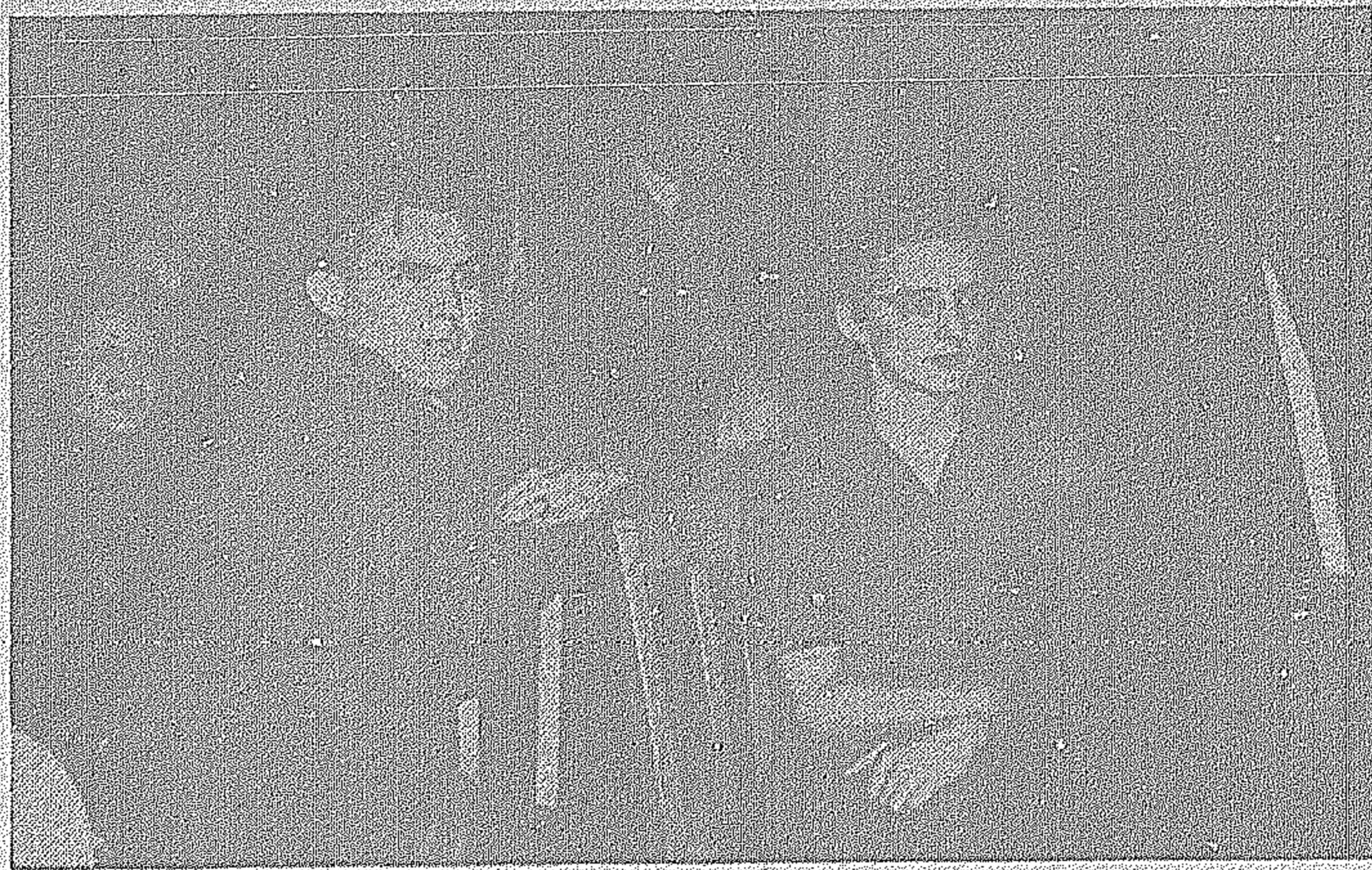
WITH THE WORDS "draft dodgers" flying about freely these days and the fact that they are many times directed toward college students, one would think that a student would not attempt to associate the words with his college. Yet for the past six months several unthinking individuals on the Lewis campus have been calling their athletic team "The Draft Dodgers." With the increased pressure that is being put on boards, such undue publicity connected as it is with Illinois Tech cannot be looked upon with favor by board members about the worth of having engineering students remain in school.

**Matthew in Charge Of Sorority Lists**

Reva Matthew, new president of the Pan-Hellenic Council at Lewis, will be in charge of issuing preference lists to rushees of the various sororities, it was declared at the meeting of the council last Friday.

Matthew plans to post a list of names of all the eligible rushees on the bulletin board between the first and second floors of the Lewis building today. These rushees whose names are posted are to meet Reva in Room 302 today either at 12 noon or 3 p.m., she said.

**IIT Sees Television Broadcast**



GATHER AT RHO EPSILON—IIT students witnessed a television broadcast last Friday in one of the regular public demonstrations given each week. Seated in foreground are Harry Bach and Elinor Bishop.

**Gas Institute Grows in World at War; Enrollment Increased Tenfold in 2 Years**

In the two years since Pearl Harbor, the Institute of Gas Technology has gone from the pilot plant stage to large scale operation, "growing up" in a world at war.

Outstanding among the Gas Institute's achievements is the tenfold increase in the student body since 1941. Engaged solely in graduate level instruction, the Gas Institute has awarded fellowships to 20 graduates of 1 leading American colleges.

From the two men who were the first fellows, the list has grown until 13 men are now in their first year, 5 in their second, and two in their third year of residence.

The first advanced degree was awarded by Illinois Institute of Technology, in accordance with the affiliation agreement between the two institutions, to Robert M. Newhall, when he received the degree of Masted of Science in October.

As a part of their "war work," these 20 graduates each contribute 12 hours a week to teaching or to working on war research projects for the Armour Research Foundation. This makes a total of 1040 man hours a month they put into this work alone, besides their other activities as students and research men.

Classroom and laboratory floor space has been doubled at the Gas work has increased until present Institute, and sponsored research

commitments exceed \$100,000.

Most of the research work at the Gas Institute is associated with the war effort, in that the Institute represents a fuel producing industry, and fuel is a vital war material.

One of the sponsored research activities most closely connected with the war effort concerns research on activated carbon, which is used in the manufacturing of gas masks. Gas Institute men are working on producing a plentiful and inexpensive supply of activated carbon.

Another sponsored project concerns an effort to discover a more efficient utilization of fuels in gas manufacture. Gas Institute research men are trying to find ways to use less fuel and lower grade fuel.

**New IIT Catalogue To Be Issued Soon**

A supplementary catalogue is to be published and should be issued sometime in February it was revealed today by Dr. Charles W. Kepner, registrar.

The supplement will contain the navy curriculum, required for all freshmen, as well as changes in the old curriculum. A group of members of the Curriculum Committee will meet Wednesday to make arrangements for the printing of this and other bulletins for next year. Bernard Taylor, assistant to the president, will head the group.

**Lewis Ball is Set for Jan. 15**

The sophomore class on the west campus will hold its dance, "The Snow-Ball", on Saturday evening, January 15th, from 8:30 to midnight, revealed George Prochnow, president of the class.

The Lewis gym will be used for the affair, with miniature snowmen, snowballs, and glittering snow as background. There will be tables placed around the gym floor and refreshments will be served. The social committee includes Darwin Schmidt and Hope Iverson in charge of decorations and orchestra, Isabelle Winter for publicity, and Jonas Korn handling ticket arrangements. The committee will meet tomorrow.

The price of the bids and the name of the orchestra for this all school dance will be announced at a future date.

**Mathews Speaks to Literary Gathering**

Professor D. R. Mathews spoke on "Generals and Geographers" before the Chicago Literary Club last Monday.

On quotation that professor Mathews made during the evening in summing up his paper was from the English geographer, Mackinder, who formulated a three point proposition which was;

Who rules East Europe Commands the Heartland

Who rules the Heartland commands the World-Island

Who rules the World-Island commands the World

Many American geopoliticians like Nicholas Spykman by Nole and E. M. Earle of Princeton and many others feel that Mackinder's hypothesis would work equally well in reverse:

Who rules the coastland rules the World-Island

Who rules the World-Island rules the World

All these geopoliticians believe tho' that it all depends upon manpower and material.

**Orphanage Given Proceeds Of ESMWT, EE Grab Bag**

Approximately seventy gifts received for the ESMWT and EE department party's grab bag last Friday were turned over to an orphanage.

The dinner was held at the Top O' Town Restaurant located at 185 North Wabash. The guests of honor included Prof. J. I. Yellott, Dean F. A. Rogers, J. R. Cavanaugh, and Bernard Weissman.

● PEP RALLY

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losses, Anderson points out. "Illinois Tech just must make it 45 in a row for the helpless Maroons," he adds, "and we're going to show the cagers we want them to win Wednesday afternoon by turning out en masse Wednesday morning at the pep rally. To borrow a slogan 'Show you care, by doing your share' and be at the pep rally Wednesday morning."

All 9:30 a.m. classes will be dismissed at 10:10 a.m. for the rally, Anderson states, pointing out that Dean James C. Pebbles readily consented to this plan realizing its importance to students. And 10:30 a.m. classes will be delayed in starting until 10:40 a.m.

Major George L. Hudson of the ASTP has consented to allow the Army classes which are supposed to begin at 10:30 a.m. in the auditorium to start a little late, so that the student body can carry out its complete pep rally plans.

"Everybody is co-operating to make this pep rally a real success," says Anderson, "so now it's up to the students to co-operate by being present at this giant pep rally."

Anderson will preside at the rally. Featured speaker will be John J. Schommer, IIT director of athletics, who is himself a former University of Chicago athlete. In fact, he even led Chicago to a world's championship in basketball and was an all-time all-American cage center as a Maroon, when they weren't hapless.

There will also be class yells, singing and all the other trimmings of a big-time pep rally. Efforts will also be made to get the band and glee club out to furnish music for the occasion. And a surprise speaker completes the plans for the rally.

The Techawk basketball team and coach will be asked to attend the pep rally en masse.

**Graduate Students Speak To Chemists at Meeting**

Two graduate students, Harold H. Pokras and James T. Weber, were speakers at a meeting of the American Institute of Chemists on December 3.

The meeting was held at the Huyler Restaurant, 310 S. Michigan Ave., and the program was entitled "The Chemist Interviews the Employer." Weber and Pokras each spoke on the subject "Being Interviewed for a Position". Weber is in the department of chemical engineering while Pokras is a chemistry student.

*News of Fraternities and Sororities*

**Two Sororities Hold Rushing Festivities**

Kappa Phi Delta and Sigma Omicron Lambda, two Lewis sororities, held their formal rush parties last week end.

The Lambdas entertained their six guests at a dinner held at the Top O'Town at 6:30 p.m. last Saturday evening. The rushees were presented with corsages and escorted to the play "Janie."

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. the Kappas took their guests to dinner at the Spinning Wheel, in Hinsdale. There, they presented their rushees with corsages. They also honored their former faculty sponsor, Marie Blanke, and Ruth Severud, art supervisor at Lewis.

**Triangle Elects 3 to Board of Directors**

John G. Volakakis, instructor in the civil engineering department was elected to the Board of Directors of the Armour Chapter of Triangle Fraternity, at the annual alumni meeting held at the chapter house, December 6.

Stanley M. Lind, ChE '32 and Joseph Hoff, FPE '25, were also elected for a three year term.

Fred Beattie and Richard Mitchell were recently pledged to Triangle Fraternity. Mitchell is a junior mechanical and Beattie is a sophomore mechanical. The pledging ceremony took place at the temporary chapter house on Drexel Boulevard.

**Daedalian Pledges To Groan This Week**

Daedalians held their pledge period last week. During the next five days the six pledges will undergo their "Hell Week". An informal initiation followed by a beer party will be held at the home of Gordon Campbell on December 19. Plans for a New Year's Eve party are under way.

**Alpha Sigma Phi to Celebrate New Year**

A New Year's Eve party will be held by Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at the Hamilton Hotel. A stag party was held last Saturday night.

Two men were recently elected to offices. They are Norm Swanson, associate Tomahawk editor, and Dick Parks, new social chairman.

Alpha Sigma Phi announces the pledging of Don Slager, freshman ME.

**Theta Xi Initiates 3; Plans Rushing Party**

Recently initiated members of Theta Xi are George Thyer, Ted Restarski, Martin Christensen, Art Zundel, and Harold Pappmeier.

The chapter was deeply touched by the death of Glenn Runsten, said President John Koza. Runstein died in the Great Lakes Naval Hospital from an ear infection.

Koza announced that plans for the next rushing party are being formulated.

**Seven Men Initiated Into Pi Kappa Phi**

On Sunday, December 19, the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity formally initiated the following men into their ranks:

Ray Churan, Clarence Weeks, Ed Jallis, Leo Polivka, Morbert Polivka, Allen Dimoff, Raymon Olson, and Apprentice Seamen George Schober and Alfred Roberts.

The initiation was held at the home of John Sachs.

At a meeting last Thursday it was moved and passed that the chapter present Brother Stephenson's family with a fitting gift.

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